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Custom Application of Pesticides - Continuing Education Regulations Codified Date 12/2003

NAC 555.372 Renewal of license for person engaged in pest control business: Requirements for continuing education. (NRS 555.320, 555.400)

- 1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 3, a person who is licensed to engage in the business of pest control may not renew his license unless he certifies that he has, within the immediately preceding 12 months, completed at least six units of continuing education in courses accredited by the Director. Each unit of continuing education must be completed in a course that relates to pest control. At least one unit of continuing education must be in a course regarding safety in handling and dispensing pesticides, and at least one unit of continuing education must be in a course relating to laws and regulations governing the use of pesticides. A licensee who is a principal may not receive credit for completing more than three units of continuing education in business management. Each licensee must, at least once during each 2-year period, complete a course in continuing education that is conducted by an instructor in person.
- 2. To receive credit for the completion of a unit of continuing education, a licensee must attend and successfully complete a course accredited by the Director. A licensee may not receive credit for repeating a course during any 2-year period. If the course for which credit for continuing education is sought is the training for a certificate to use a restricted-use pesticide sponsored by the Cooperative Extension Service, a licensee must receive a passing grade on the certification examination. If the course for which credit for continuing education is sought is a video or other media presentation sponsored by the Cooperative Extension Service, a licensee must receive a passing grade on an examination conducted upon completion of the presentation.
 - 3. The provisions of subsection 1 do not apply to a licensee who:
- (a) Obtained his license for the first time less than 12 months immediately preceding the expiration of his license;
- (b) Passes the general and specific examinations given pursuant to <u>NAC 555.340</u> in each category of pest control in which he is currently licensed on or after October 1 of the year in which his license expires;
- (c) Holds a license or certificate as a pest control adviser or certified crop adviser, or the equivalent as determined by the Director, if he has, within the immediately preceding 12 months:
- (1) Completed at least one unit of continuing education in courses accredited by the Director regarding safety in handling and dispensing pesticides; and
- (2) Completed at least one unit of continuing education in a course relating to laws and regulations governing the use of pesticides; or

- (d) Is an operator and has become a principal during the 12 months immediately preceding the expiration of his license by passing the general examination and at least one examination for a category of pest control given pursuant to NAC 555.340.
- 4. For each course for which a licensee claims one or more units of continuing education, he shall retain for at least 2 years:
 - (a) A certificate of completion issued by the sponsor of the course; or
- (b) Another document or record that in the judgment of the Director adequately establishes that the licensee successfully completed the course.
 - 5. The Department may inspect a document retained pursuant to subsection 4 by:
 - (a) Requiring the licensee to submit a copy of the document to the Department; or
 - (b) Inspecting the original document at the primary place of business of the licensee.
- (Added to NAC by Dep't of Agriculture by R081-99, eff. 11-18-99; A by R033-01, 5-1-2002; R001-03, 9-24-2003)

NAC 555.374 Continuing education: Duties of sponsor; activities acceptable for credit. (NRS 555.400)

- 1. To obtain accreditation from the Director for a course of continuing education, the sponsor of the course must submit to the Department, at least 1 day before the first day of the course:
 - (a) A detailed outline of the subject matter to be presented;
 - (b) A description of the method of presentation;
 - (c) A curriculum vitae or other biographical statement of the instructor; and
 - (d) Any other information required in the application for accreditation.
- 2. To equal one unit of continuing education, the course for which the application is submitted must consist of at least 50 minutes of instruction.
- 3. The information required by subsection 1 must be submitted on an application prescribed by the Director.
- 4. The sponsor of a course accredited by the Director shall submit to the Department, within 30 days after the completion of the course, a list of all persons who successfully completed the course.
- 5. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 6, courses of continuing education that may be accredited by the Director include, without limitation:
 - (a) A seminar;
 - (b) A meeting;
 - (c) An adult education class;
 - (d) A correspondence class;
 - (e) An Internet class;
 - (f) A college or university class;
 - (g) A video or other media presentation; and
 - (h) Any equivalent activity approved by the Director.
- 6. A person who attends a meeting of the Nevada Pest Control Association may receive credit for attending the meeting without obtaining approval for the meeting pursuant to this section.

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NAC 555.375 Continuing education: Notification of accreditation by Director. (NRS 555.400)

- 1. The Director will, within 30 days after receipt of a completed application for accreditation of a course of continuing education, notify the sponsor of the course whether the course has been accredited or denied accreditation.
- 2. If the Director approves a course for accreditation, the notice of accreditation will include the:
 - (a) Course number assigned by the Director; and
- (b) Number of units of continuing education for which the course is accredited. If a course is divided into sections, the notice will identify the number of units of continuing education allocated to each section.

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NAC 555.376 Continuing education: Sponsorship by Department or Cooperative Extension Service. (NRS 555.400)

- 1. The Director will accredit a course of continuing education sponsored by the Department if the Department complies with <u>NAC 555.374</u>. Such a course may be in the form of:
 - (a) A meeting;
 - (b) Training for a certificate to use a restricted-use pesticide; or
- (c) A video, slide or other media presentation. The video, slide or other media presentation will be available for review, by appointment, at the offices of the Department and of the Cooperative Extension Service.
- 2. The Director will accredit training for a certificate to use a restricted-use pesticide sponsored by the Cooperative Extension Service upon compliance with <u>NAC 555.374</u>.

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NAC 555.377 Continuing education: Expiration or withdrawal of accreditation. (NRS 555.400)

- 1. The accreditation of a course of continuing education expires on the last day of the 12th month after the course is accredited unless the Director:
 - (a) Specifies an earlier date in the notice of accreditation; or
- (b) Withdraws accreditation upon a finding of sufficient cause. Sufficient cause exists if the course as conducted does not conform to the course as described in the information provided pursuant to NAC 555.374.
- 2. Before the Director withdraws accreditation from a course, he will give the sponsor:
- (a) Notice in writing of his intention to withdraw accreditation and his reasons for taking this action; and
 - (b) An opportunity to respond.

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